



# राजपत्र, हिमाचल प्रदेश

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**GOVERNMENT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH**

**LAW DEPARTMENT**

**NOTIFICATION**

*Simla-2, the 21st February, 1975*

**No. LLR-D (6) 3/75.**—The Himachal Pradesh Official Language Bill, 1975 (Bill No. 7 of 1975) after having received the assent of the Governor, Himachal Pradesh, on the 20th February, 1975, under Article 200 of the

Constitution of India, is hereby published in the Rajpatra, Himachal Pradesh, as Act No. 1 of 1975.

M. C. PADAM,  
*Under Secretary (Judicial).*

Act No. 1 of 1975.

**THE HIMACHAL PRADESH OFFICIAL LANGUAGE  
ACT, 1975**

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*to provide for the adoption of Hindi as the language to be used for all or any of the official purposes of the State of Himachal Pradesh.*

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of Himachal Pradesh in the Twenty-sixth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Himachal Pradesh Official Language Act, 1975.

Short title,  
extent and  
commence-  
ment.

(2) It extends to the whole of the State of Himachal Pradesh.

(3) It shall be deemed to have come into force with effect from the 1st January, 1975.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—

Definitions

(a) “Hindi” means Hindi in Devanagari script;

(b) “State Government” means the Government of Himachal Pradesh.

3. The official language of the State of Himachal Pradesh shall be Hindi.

Hindi to be  
official lan-  
guage of  
the State.

4. The State Government may, from time to time by notification, direct that Hindi shall be used for such official purposes of the State and from such date as may be specified in the notification.

Govern-  
ment's  
power to  
notify the  
official pur-  
poses for  
which Hindi  
shall be  
used.

5. On and from such date as the State Government may, by notification, appoint in this behalf, the language to be used in,—

Language  
to be used  
in the Bills  
etc.

(a) all Bills to be introduced, or amendments thereto to be moved in the House of the Legislature of the State;

(b) all Acts passed by the Legislature of the State;

(c) all Ordinances promulgated by the Governor under Article 213 of the Constitution; and

(d) all Orders, Rules, Regulations and Bye-laws issued by the State Government under the Constitution or under any law for the time being in force in the State;

shall be Hindi:

Provided that the State Government may appoint different dates in respect of any of the purposes referred to in clauses (a) to (d) above.

Continuation of use of English in State Legislature.

6. Until the State Government otherwise directs by notification under section 4, English may continue to be used, in addition to the official language of the State for the transaction of business in the Legislature of the State.

Right of a person to submit representation in any of the languages used in the State.

7. Nothing in this Act shall be deemed to debar any person to submit a representation for the redress of any grievance to any officer or authority of the State in any other language, used in the State.

Repeal and saving.

8. (1) The Punjab Official Language Act, 1960 in its application to the areas added to Himachal Pradesh under section 5 of the Punjab Re-organisation Act, 1966, and the Himachal Pradesh Languages (Bills and Acts) Act, 1952 as in force in the areas comprised in Himachal Pradesh immediately before 1st November, 1966, are hereby repealed.

28 of 1960  
31 of 1966  
2 of 1953

(2) The repeal by this Act shall not effect anything done or any action taken in the exercise of any power conferred by or under the repealed Acts or any events which have been caused from the operation of the repealed Acts.